

**US ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
POLLUTION REPORT**

I. HEADING

Date: April 27, 2001

Subject: Schaefer Salts Site, Union, Union County, New Jersey

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Polrep: Two (2)

II. BACKGROUND

Site No.:	QU
Response Authority:	CERCLA
Action Memo Status:	Verbal Authorization on February 22, 2001 Signed on March 23, 2001
Delivery Order No.:	2001-0032
NPL Status	Not Proposed for NPL Status
Start Date:	February 23, 2001
State Notification:	NJDEP notified
CERCLIS ID No.:	N/A

III. Site Information

A. Incident Category: Abandoned warehousing and salt processing facility.

B. Site Description:

1. Site Description:

See Polrep #1..



2. Description of Threat:

See Polrep #1.

C. Preliminary Assessment Results:

See Polrep #1.

IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION

A. Situation

1. Current Situation

The removal action completion time frame is on schedule. On April 20, 2001, there was a small field fire along the rail tracks that did not pose any damage to the site.

2. Removal Activities to Date

- See PolRep #1.
- Completed containers stabilization.
- Conducted two public information sessions. First at Schering Plough and the second at Child Time day care center.
- Started container sampling for consolidation of wastes.
- Sampled the soil near the play ground area and fence line as requested by Schering Plough.
- Chemist on-site performing waste characteristics analysis for waste stream.

3. Enforcement

ERRD-RAB on-site reviewing site files.

B. Planned Removal Activities

See PolRep #1.

C. Next Steps

- Continue the stabilization and staging of containers.
- Continue container bulking and disposal sampling.
- Continue hazcatting of samples for bulking schemes.
- Continue working on the Administrative Record.

D. Key Issues

Results of composite soil sample of the day care play area.

V. COST INFORMATION

The following estimated costs were of April 27, 2001

	Project Ceiling	Costs to Date	Costs Remaining
ERRS	\$250,000	\$95,500	\$154,500
RST	\$ 74,000	\$32,500	\$ 41,500
Internal Costs	\$ 75,000	\$21,500	\$ 53,500
Total	\$399,000	\$149,500	\$249,500

The above are estimated costs and cannot be used in any cost recovery efforts.

Containers being staged.



Bagged materials staged

